

Arizona Registrar of Contractors Newsletter



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Phoenix Ranks No. 5 Among Best Cities for Construction Workers

by [Tommy O Shaughnessy](#)

After hitting a 5-year low at the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, the construction industry is booming. And one of the best cities for construction workers in 2021 is Phoenix, according to a report from [Industrial Paint and Protection Magazine](#).

The Phoenix construction market has exceeded the national U.S. average significantly since 2016, and 2020 was no exception, expanding by 15% and driven by a strong residential market according to a [Cumming research report](#).

Phoenix had the 5th most building permits issued in February, and it still has a significant shortage of construction workers relative to the construction boom it has enjoyed for the last several years.

What were the other top five?

1. Dallas, TX
2. Houston, TX
3. Minneapolis, MN
4. Austin, TX
5. Phoenix, AZ

AZ ROC Prepares for Monsoon and Wildfire Season

Wildfire season is already in full swing and Arizona's monsoon season is only a couple weeks away, officially beginning on June 15. Last year's monsoon season was abnormally dry, but this year the [National Weather Service's Climate Prediction Center](#) is predicting a 40 percent chance of above-average rain.

Monsoon storms mean some Arizonans are going to need home repairs and as always, some will be in a hurry. The current labor and materials shortages may exacerbate normal busy season delays, putting unlicensed individuals and entities at a better position to take advantage of homeowners who are in a hurry.

In the coming monsoon season, just like in seasons past, AZ ROC will put out a news release reminding home and property owners not to make hurried decisions about their homes or property and to do their research before parting with their repair funds.

AZ ROC investigators will also be doing territory management and putting up warning signs in areas hit hard by storms or wildfires.

You can help stop unlicensed activity too. As a member of your family, friend and neighborhood community, you have the power to make a difference by informing the people around you about Arizona's contracting laws. Talk to your family, friends and neighbors about:

- the dangers of hiring unlicensed individuals or entities to work on their homes.
- how to use the [Contractor Search](#) to check a license.
- the [many examples](#) of how using an unlicensed entity to save money ended up being more expensive.

Let's work together to keep our communities safe from unlicensed scams.



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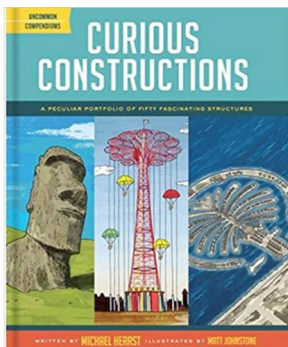


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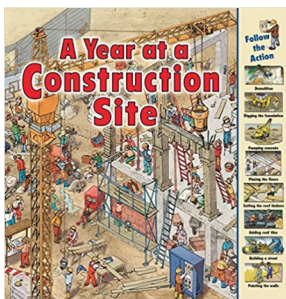
Summer Reading

Summer has arrived and, with it so do many summer reading programs. Summer reading is not just for kids but it's definitely a great way to get kids and teens of all ages thinking about the construction industry as a future career choice. Checkout these construction-themed children's books below.



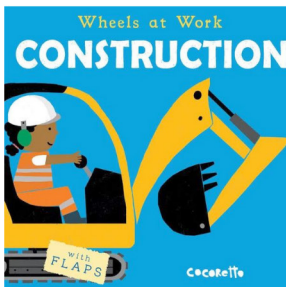
Curious Constructions: A Peculiar Portfolio of Fifty Fascinating Structures

This book features 50 incredible structures and fascinating accounts of construction, including: a fire-breathing octopus sculpture; a whole community of tree houses in Costa Rica; and a lifesize X-Wing Starfighter built of Legos. It was written for children ages 9 to 12 years old.



A Year at a Construction Site

This book follows 12 months of a school jobsite with a bird's-eye view of the whole process. It was written for children ages 5 to 9 years old.



Wheels at Work Construction

This is a flap book for young children showing construction vehicles busy at work. This book is for infants ages 0 to 3 years old.

These are just three examples of the many construction-related books for kids out there. Happy summer reading.

OSHA EDUCATION CENTER AT ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY

OSHA #511 - Occupational Safety and Health Standards for General Industry

07 Jun 2021 8:00 AM
Alternative Delivery - Zoom

OSHA #510 - Occupational Safety and Health Standards for the Construction Industry

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OSHA #2264 - Permit-Required Confined Space Entry

14 Jun 2021 8:00 AM
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OSHA #7500 - Introduction to Safety and Health Management

17 Jun 2021 8:00 AM
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OSHA #500 - Trainer Course in Occupational Safety and Health Standards for the Construction Industry

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Build Your Future Arizona's mission is to create a sustainable and skilled craft workforce by creating awareness about high paying construction careers, training opportunities and mapping career paths to employment in these high demand occupations.

Working in Heat Environments

Now that the hotter weather is upon us and only going to get more extreme, it's a good idea to start preparing for the dangers of working in heat environments.

Dangers of Working in the Heat

[According to OSHA](#), each year dozens of work-related deaths and thousands of illnesses are caused by extreme heat or humidity. Heat illnesses can affect anyone, regardless of age or physical condition, though there are personal risk factors that might make a person more susceptible such as medical conditions, alcohol consumption or lack of physical fitness.

Those who work outdoors are more susceptible to heat exposure and heat illness, especially those who work in direct sunlight. According to OSHA, the body needs time to adjust to the heat and 50 to 70 percent of fatalities occur in the first few days of working in warm or hot environments.

Know the Signs.

Prolonged exposure to heat may result in heat illnesses that range from mild symptoms, such as heat cramps, to severe, which include heat exhaustion and heat stroke.

Signs of heat exhaustion include:

- Headache
- Dizziness
- Nausea and vomiting
- Fast heart beat

The symptoms of heat stroke are more extreme and include:

- Red, hot and dry skin
- Confusion
- Convulsions
- Fainting

You can learn more about working in heat environments and how to prepare your workforce [here](#).

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We're here. How can we help?



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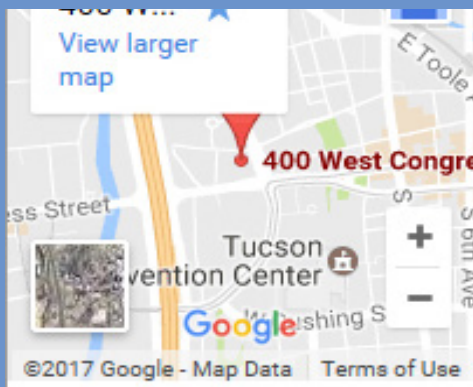
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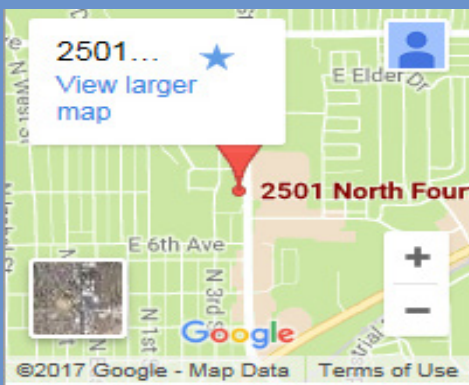
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